

ADA Advisory Committee Meeting

March 13, 2025 (Thursday)

1:00 p.m.

Recap Key Points of First Meeting

- The **role** of the committee was discussed: The Committee shared that in addition to **compiling data**, we can **share information** with the other Committee members, **call attention to issues** we are having across campus, and **identify priorities**.
- The members of the committee were reviewed, and several new faces were added:

Taryn Calloway Coordinator Student Activities, Leadership and Volunteerism	Kirk Laughlin Web Developer Application and Program Services
Jay Carroll Assistant Director of WKU Online Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning	Jimmie Martin Director of Student Support Services, Disabilities Educational Enhancement Programs
Maddie Craig SARC Intern & Remote Assistant Student Accessibility Resource Center	Josh Mudgett Assistant Director of Athletic Facilities and Event Management Athletics
Kyle Davenport Campus Services Manager Facilities Management	Cindy Smith Institutional Equity Administrative Specialist and Compliance Assistant Office of Institutional Equity
Hannah Digges-Elliott Senior Instructional Designer Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning	Jennifer Tougas Assistant Vice President Business Services
Amanda Hardin Assistant Director of Access Services WKU Libraries	Chase Varner SARC Intern & Operations Support Student Accessibility Resource Center
Blair Jensen Assistant Director Housing & Residence Life	Chantel Wilson Institutional Equity Specialist and ADA Coordinator Office of Institutional Equity

Additional Discussions

- Jennifer Tougas shared that since we are receiving federal funding, by law we need to be **champions of accessibility across campus**. She also mentioned the Committee having an educational component especially regarding VSIP and “new faces” that will **need to be educated regarding accessibility**.
- Chantel Wilson shared with the Committee she will be drafting an **Accessibility policy and wanted their review and feedback**.
- Marko Dumancic reiterated his support for Zoom meetings and this Committee being **a hub for data and reports as a way to show how the University is exceeding compliance standards**. He also informed the Committee there will be a Professional Development Day on January 16, 2025, and thought it would be beneficial for the Committee to present a session.

Today's Agenda

- **Reports/updates:** Begin by sharing interesting ADA/Accessibility data/reports/updates from each area.
- **Accessibility Policy:** Plan to finalize draft for Ena to review and submit to President's Cabinet for review and approval. Please submit all edits and feedback by April 21, 2025.
- **Finalize role of committee:** As noted above, our mission is to be champions of accessibility across campus, to be a hub for data and reports to show how the University is exceeding compliance standards, to educate the campus community regarding accessibility, identify any priorities, and be a resource to one another as we address ADA challenges that arise on campus.
- **Meeting Schedule:** Meetings are each semester (Fall/Spring) I would like to receive reports/updates at both, if applicable. Each year, we will have a meeting in September and a meeting in March as permitted.